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Pirean named as only European Finalist in IBM Beacon Awards 2009

UK based security and service management Tivoli experts honoured

London, England – 9th July, 2009 – Pirean, a leading delivery partner for IT Security and Service Management, has been selected as a finalist in the IBM Beacon Awards 2009 in the Outstanding Service Management Tivoli Solution category. Pirean is the only European Tivoli Partner to receive a finalist award from 340 nominations judged by a team of leading industry journalists, analysts and IBM executives.

The IBM Beacon Awards recognise the best solutions IBM Business Partners deliver around the world that set the standard for business excellence, unique and innovative solutions, ingenuity, and customer satisfaction. Pirean was selected for its strength in systems integration and consultancy, delivering real-time business and service assurance for infrastructure and application management. The finalist award recognises successful projects carried out by Pirean across diverse markets, from the UK Public Sector, to Financial Services and Media organisations.

“Due to the nature of our business, many of the programmes we deliver are out of the public eye. It’s fantastic that we’ve been honoured with an award that recognises our achievements,” comments Stuart Wilson, MD of Pirean, “Our position as the only European Tivoli partner to reach the finals for the awards highlights our unrivalled expertise for building industry leading solutions on IBM Tivoli Software.”

The finalist position at the IBM Beacon 2009 awards is the second honour scooped by Pirean in the past 2 years after they won the prestigious IBM Tivoli Software Innovation of the Year award in 2008. The IBM Beacon Awards are part of IBM's PartnerWorld program, which provides industry recognition and increased visibility for IBM global business partners.

About Pirean

Our expertise is recognised through our strategic industry alliances and business partnerships, our national and international best practice and quality accreditations and our position on leading industry steering groups. Whilst Pirean are aligned with some of the world's largest organisations we are wholly independent of ties to specific technologies or vendors, ensuring only the right solution for customer need, and the highest return on investment.

Consistent with our reputation as innovators, Pirean were the first enterprise service provider in the United Kingdom to win certification to ISO 9000, ISO 27001 and ISO 20000 quality, security and management standards. We follow recognised best practice and process models including:

- ISO 27001 for Information Security Management
- ISO 9001:2000 for Quality Management
- ISO 20000 and ITIL for Service Management and Delivery

Pirean is an associate consultant member of the British Standards Institute's Associate Consultants Scheme for BS 7799.

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